

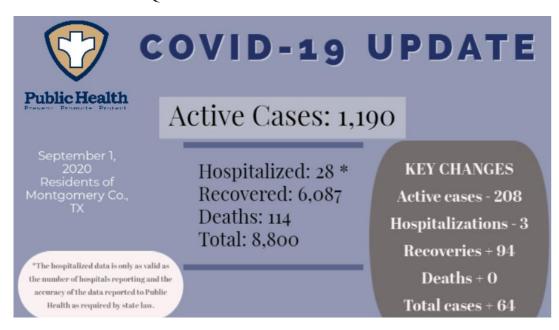
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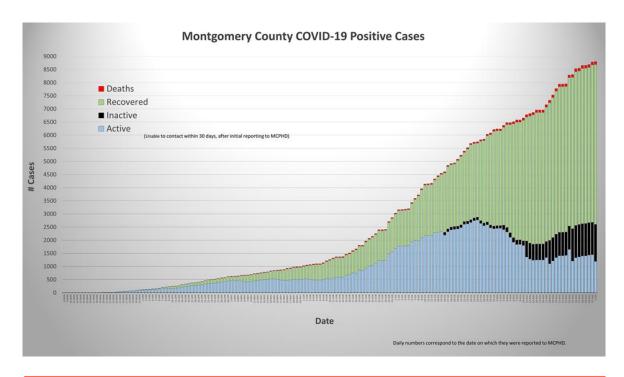
## **Daily COVID-19 Update for Montgomery County**

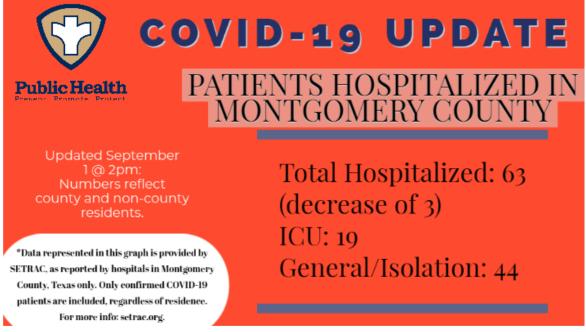
Status Update from the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management MONTGOMERY COUNTY – Montgomery County Public Health District, in conjunction with the Montgomery County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, can confirm the following update related to COVID-19:

- TOTAL cases of COVID-19 increased by 64 to 8,800 since yesterday's report.
  - We are continuing to process cases that were reported to The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) directly by healthcare providers and entered into the National Electronic Disease Surveillance System (NEDSS), run by the CDC. Out of the 64 new total cases since yesterday's report, 10 (from the NEDSS system) tested positive prior to August 17th.
- ACTIVE cases of COVID-19 decreased by 208 to 1,190 since yesterday's report. On Tuesdays, we factor in additional cases we have been unable to contact for more than 30 days. That represents 178 additional "inactive" cases today.
- 28 residents are known to be in the hospital, as a result of contact investigations. Contact investigations have not been initiated on all reported cases.
- 6,087 people have clinically recovered.

\*These numbers do not reflect antigen or antibody testing. Have questions? Please go to <a href="https://mcphd-tx.org/">https://mcphd-tx.org/</a> and scroll down to the FAQs.







You can find more information on the SETRAC website, <u>setrac.org</u>.

Take steps to slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community.

- Consider staying home unless it is necessary to leave your home.
- Avoid groups of people.
- Practice social distancing.
- Wear a mask (if it is necessary to leave your home).
- Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer frequently.
- Disinfect surfaces in your car and around your home.

You can view the list of case-by-case updates on the MCPHD website here: <a href="https://mcphd-tx.org/coronavirus-covid-19/confirmed-cases/">https://mcphd-tx.org/coronavirus-covid-19/confirmed-cases/</a>. You can refer to the dashboard here: <a href="https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/">https://coronavirus-response-moco.hub.arcgis.com/</a>.

Just a reminder, online registration is available for COVID-19 testing through the MCPHD/MCHD voucher program. Click on "Need to be tested?" on mchd-tx.org or mcphd-tx.org and follow the instructions. The COVID-19 Call Center's number is 936-523-3916. It is open Monday-Friday from  $8:00 \, \mathrm{am} - 4:30 \, \mathrm{pm}$ .

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